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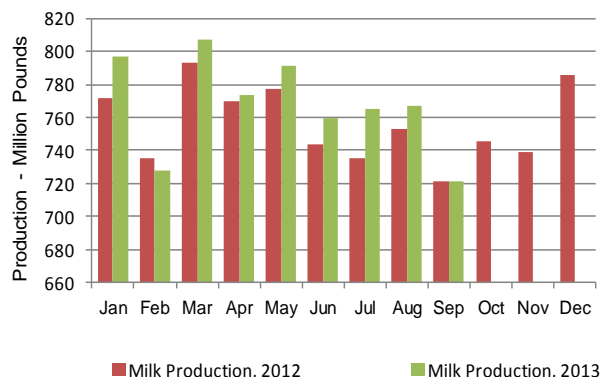
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Milk Production Minnesota, 2012-2013

Milk production in Minnesota during September 2013 totaled 721 million pounds, unchanged from September 2012, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows on hand during the month, at 465,000 head, was the same as last year. Production per cow averaged 1,550 pounds during September.



Milk Cows and Production: Selected States, September 2012 and 2013

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	Change from 2012
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Arizona	181	188	1,745	1,720	316	323	2.2
California	1,779	1,781	1,790	1,795	3,184	3,197	0.4
Colorado	135	137	1,955	1,965	264	269	1.9
Florida	123	123	1,250	1,340	154	165	7.1
Idaho	579	570	1,930	1,930	1,117	1,100	-1.5
Illinois	100	98	1,470	1,490	147	146	-0.7
Indiana	174	177	1,685	1,710	293	303	3.4
Iowa	201	207	1,720	1,765	346	365	5.5
Kansas	126	134	1,740	1,730	219	232	5.9
Michigan	374	381	1,900	1,930	711	735	3.4
Minnesota	465	465	1,550	1,550	721	721	
Missouri	93	92	1,110	1,110	103	102	-1.0
New Mexico	326	322	1,960	1,955	639	630	-1.4
New York	610	610	1,740	1,770	1,061	1,080	1.8
Ohio	270	270	1,540	1,545	416	417	0.2
Oregon	123	123	1,665	1,660	205	204	-0.5
Pennsylvania	533	532	1,545	1,570	823	835	1.5
Texas	433	440	1,705	1,700	738	748	1.4
Utah	88	91	1,760	1,780	155	162	4.5
Vermont	133	133	1,550	1,560	206	207	0.5
Virginia	95	95	1,380	1,430	131	136	3.8
Washington	261	265	1,935	1,935	505	513	1.6
Wisconsin	1,271	1,272	1,730	1,745	2,199	2,220	1.0
23-State Total	8,473	8,506	1,729	1,741	14,653	14,810	1.1

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves

United States Milk Production

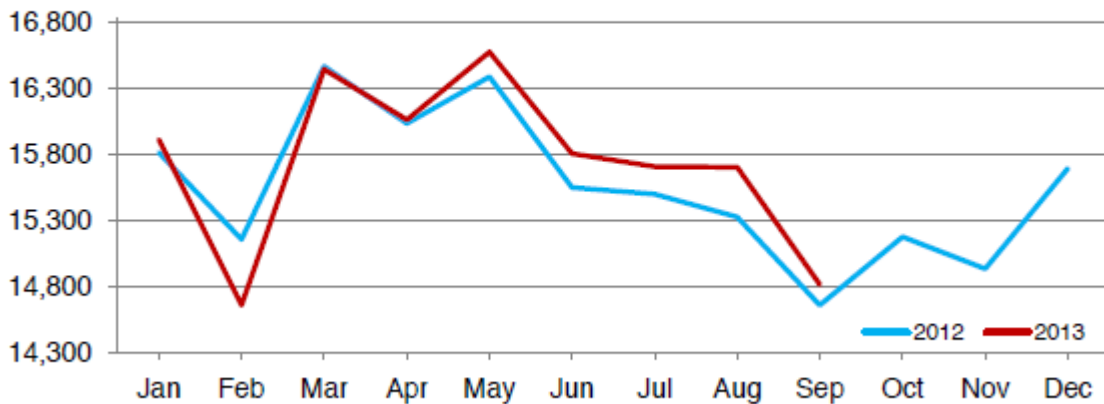
Milk production in the 23 major States during September totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from September 2012. August revised production at 15.7 billion pounds, was up 2.5 percent from August 2012. The August revision represented a decrease of 33 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,741 pounds for September, 12 pounds above September 2012.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.51 million head, 33,000 head more than September 2012, but 19,000 head less than August 2013.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds



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